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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The Boers have arrested eight former British officers and committed them to jail in Pretoria, on the charge of treason against the Dutch republic; further warrants have been issued. —— The Raleigh sailed yesterday from Charleston for Portsmouth, N. H. —— The Southern Baptist convention adopted a resolution that no Baptist church should admit a dealer in liquor to membership. —— A Chicago discovery which it is claimed solves the problem of circumventing old age is announced. —— The weather conditions the past week have been favorable for cotton in the Carolinas and Georgia; reports from other sections of the cotton belt are not so favorable. —— Supreme Council, Royal Arcanum, meets to-day in Washington, D. C. —— Disastrous storm in Pennsylvania; crops badly damaged. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady at 2½@4 per cent.; cotton steady, middling uplands 6 3-16c; flour dull but steady; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 82½c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 41¼c; oats—spot quiet, No. 3 white 31½c; rosin easy; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRIOULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., May 17.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 71 degrees; 8 P. M., 73 degrees; maximum, 83 degrees; minimum, 65 degrees; mean, 74 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 0; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.80.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Slightly warmer and generally clear weather prevailed during the past 24 hours, no precipitation being reported from any district.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—For North Carolina—Fair Wednesday and probably Thursday; fresh southerly winds.

Port Almanac---May 17.

Sun Rises	5.55 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.58 P. M.
Day's Length	14 H. 03 M.
High Water at Southport	1.06 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	4.36 A. M.

The big steel trust has swallowed thirty-six concerns, and the absorbing process still goes on.

There is a movement to organize a bath-tub trust with a capital estimated at from $25,000,000 to $40,000,000. Gen. Miles is not in it.

Gomez wants a standing army of 15,000 men in Cuba, Cubans, and then he would like to have the job of swinging in his hammock bossing it.

An order for a lot of canned roast beef has come from the Klondike. But a fellow's stomach gets pretty tough after tackling Klondike bills of fare for a while.

Consternation was caused in the National Museum at Washington when it was discovered that one of the two captured cannons sent by Admiral Dewey was loaded. He is not suspected of having been "loaded" when he sent it.

Governor Johnston, of Alabama, succeeded in getting the Legislature to repeal the bill calling for a constitutional convention, and now recommends the submission to the people of a suffrage amendment and providing for fewer elections.

According to Dr. Livrier, the French statistician, very few people live to a very old age and a great many people die quite young. He says that one-half the human family die before they reach seventeen years, but one person in 10,000 lives to reach 100 years and but one in 1,000 lives to be sixty.

Chicago provides against the waste paper nuisance by anchoring iron boxes at intervals on the sidewalks, into which the people are required to put the waste paper they wish to dispose of. The collection is done by members of the Salvation Army, who dispose of the paper for enough to compensate for the trouble.

A great flock of wild pigeons recently passed North over Lime Ridge, Wisconsin. The flock was about a mile long and so dense as to almost shut out the light of the sun. Although that was once a great nesting sections for pigeons, these were the first seen there in about twenty years. They left there for some reason and went into business somewhere else.

An English company is building a great dam across the river Nile to lift the level of the stream, so as to flood a much larger area. The wall will be over a mile long, from 30 to 40 feet wide and in places 76 feet high. It will hold back 1,000,000,000 tons of water and bring 2,500 square miles of desert under cultivation. If any of the Pharaoh family were around now the Britons might give them some points they hadn't caught on to.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Mr. N. L. Smith, factory representative of the famous Mathushek piano, has an advertisement in to-day's STAR that will be read with interest.

— The tug *Blanche* yesterday afternoon towed the schooner *Chas. D. Hall* to sea with a cargo of lumber for New York from the Cape Fear Lumber Company.

— The steamer *Frank Sessoms* was down from her regular trip yesterday. She will remain here until next week, when she will proceed to Fayetteville for repairs.

— The fifth annual closing of the A. & M. College, for the colored race, at Greensboro, will occur May 21st to 25th. The commencement address will be delivered by Col. Julian S. Carr.

— In compliance with a request from the Masons, the street cars will not run on Front street, between Princess and Market, to-morrow afternoon during the corner-stone laying ceremonies.

— Yesterday morning Special Police Officer Williamson was called upon to kill a rabid dog belonging to Mr. Arthur Prempert, at Mr. Prempert's residence, on Market street, between Second and Third.

— In giving the list of chairmen of the board of tax assessors in yesterday's STAR, the name of Mr. C. H. Alexander should have appeared as chairman for Harnett township, instead of Mr. James McCumber.

— Spirits turpentine was quoted on the local market yesterday dull at 37½@38 cents, but sales were not made higher than 37@37½ cents. The receipts yesterday were 134 casks, the largest for any single day in several months.

— The boys of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, while returning from the fire yesterday afternoon, pulled down an old brick chimney left standing on the lot just north of the S. A. L. building, which has recently been purchased by Messrs. Bear and Sternberger as a site for the new hotel they will build in the near future.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Ludden & Bates—Pianos.
Jas. D. Nutt—Your doctor fights.
S. W. Sanders—Springfield hams.
King Grocery Co.—A cup of coffee.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— M. C. Guthrie, Esq., of Southport, came up yesterday afternoon on the *Wilmington*.

— Capt. J. L. Autrey, of Autreyville, Sampson county, was in Wilmington yesterday and made the STAR office a pleasant call.

— Mr. C. G. Metts, of Norfolk and Miss Metts of Newbern, are in the city, the guests of their brother, Mr. J. I. Metts. They will leave for Newbern to-day.

— Brown Shepherd, Esq., a rising young lawyer of Raleigh, is spending a few days in the city, the guest of his old college mate, Rev. Jno. Stanly Thomas.

— Mr. C. G. Burgoyen and wife, of New York, spent yesterday and last night in the city, guests at The Orton. They arrived on board their yacht *Sweetheart* and will sail for Newbern to-day.

Mr. Holt Remains Here.

Mrs. E. C. Holt and little daughter, and Misses Snow and Holt left yesterday morning for Burlington. They were accompanied as far as Goldsboro by Mr. E. C. Holt, who returned to Wilmington on the 5.50 train yesterday evening.

Mr. Holt expects to hold a meeting of stockholders for the organization of the $350,000 cotton mill company, very probably to-day at noon, and he will push with all possible dispatch the preliminary work for the erection of the mill with an especial view to having the mill complete and ready for the operatives by January 1st, 1900.

Two Small Buildings Burned.

An alarm of fire at 1.35 P. M. yesterday from box 14, corner of Nutt and Brunswick streets, summoned the department to a one-story frame building, occupied as a residence by Mattie Brown, colored, at No. 116 Brunswick street. The fire originated from a spark from the chimney and spread to an adjoining house, occupied by Grace McNeill, colored. Both houses were a complete loss.

The buildings were owned by Mrs. Carl Muhlan and were insured with Messrs. J. H. Boatwright & Son.

Schooner Edna and Emma.

Capt. Foss, of the schooner *Gem*, which arrived at this port Monday, reports that about twenty miles east northeast of Frying Pan light ship, he observed a broken spar, apparently fastened to something under water. It was painted white and it is thought to be a part of the wreckage of the schooner *Edna and Emma*, which was probably capsized at sea in the vicinity mentioned soon after she went to sea from this port.

Col. Taylor's Successor.

Lieut. J. VanB. Metts of the Wilmington Light Infantry, went to Wilson last night to attend a meeting to be held for the purpose of electing a successor to Col. Walker Taylor, who was recently put upon the retired list as Colonel of the Second Regiment. A Lieut. Colnoel and a Major are also to be elected during the meeting to-day.

ELECTRICAL EXPERTS

Superintendents of Railway Telegraph Arrived on Special Train Last Night.

EDISON, THE WIZARD, HERE.

The Association to Convene in Eighteenth Annual Session This Morning—Welcome Address by the Mayor. To-day's Programme.

Never in the history of Wilmington has there been such an assemblage of electrical experts as the one now in our midst, the Association of Railway Telegraph Superintendents, here to hold their eighteenth annual convention.

The central figure of this aggregation of electrical experts is Thomas A. Edison, the famous Wizard of Menlo Park, who is here, the especial guest of the association. Then there is J. B. Taltavall, publisher of the *Telegraph Age*, and Mr. William Maver, Jr., who comes to give a practical demonstration of the latest and most wonderful discovery in the electrical world, wire less telegraphy.

According to announcement made in yesterday's STAR, the special train bearing the members of the Association and their invited guests arrived here at a few minutes past 8 o'clock last night from Norfolk and were driven to The Orton, which will be their headquarters during the session of the convention. They were served supper about 8:30 o'clock, and spent the remainder of the evening in very pleasant social intercourse.

Members of the party who arrived on the special train are:

Thomas A. Edison, W. E. Gilmore, Orange, N. J.; J. J. Ghegan, E. McLoughlin, W. J. Holmes and wife, William Marshall, W. W. Young, A. P. Eckert, W. S. Eckert, J. B. Taltavall, publisher of *The Telegraph Age;* Wm. Maver, Jr., and wife; L. B. Foley and wife, of New York; W. W. Ryder, of Chicago, and wife; C. E. Freeman, professor at Armour Institute, Chicago; Charles H. Bristol, wife, son and daughter; George M. Dugan, W. J. Holton, wife and daughter; C. F. Annett and wife, all of Chicago; C. W. Hammond, wife and daughter, St. Louis; P. W. Drew and wife, Milwaukee; I. N. Miller, wife and daughter, Cincinnati; J. S. Evans and wife, Cleveland; D. H. Caldwell and wife, Fort Wayne; S. K. Bullard, Sedalia, Mo.; Dan Bullard, Indianapolis; E. A. Smith, Boston; C. A. Darlton, wife and daughter, Washington, D. C.; Geo. L. Lang, Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. M. B. Leonard and son, J. B. Tree, Richmond; J. H. Jacoby and wife, South Bethlehem, Pa.; W. F. Williams and wife, Portsmouth, Va.; W. C. Walstrom, Roanoke, W. L. Logne, wife and son, New York; Eugene W. Vogel, Chicago; Charles Selden, Baltimore; J. W. Kates, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. H. Holman, Quincy, Ill.; Mrs. O. P. Miller, Salt Lake City; K. MacKenzie, Jackson, Tenn.; H. T. Simpson, Richmond, Va.; W. E. Stoneburner, Buffalo, N. Y.; L. S. Wells, Long Island City, N. Y.; E. E. Williams and wife, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. T. Reed, Portsmouth; Mrs. W. J. Bodell, Old Point Comfort.

Telephone Men Here.

Several prominent telephone men arrived here yesterday to meet with the Superintendents of Railway telegraph. They are H. W. Pope, traffic manager of the Southern Bell Telephone Company; H. P. Miller, special agent for the Southern Bell Telephone Company; H. W. Miller, special agent for the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, and Wendell Baker, special agent for the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

The trip from Norfolk was made on a splended vestibuled S. A. L. train. They left for Wilmington at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and there was not a single incident to mar the pleasure of the journey. They were delayed about ten minutes on account of a hot box. They lunched at Henderson.

Tuesday night, in the Monticello Hotel, an informal reception was held, very similar to the one at The Orton last night. At The Monticella, much as was the case last night, Mr. Edison, the wizard of Menlo Park, was the central figure, every one being eager to meet and talk with the famous inventor.

Programme for To-day.

The eighteenth annual convention of the Railway Telegraph Superintendents will be called to order this morning at 9:30 o'clock, in the rooms of the Merchants' Association. The officers of the Association are:

President—W. W. Ryder, superintendent of telegraph for the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad.

Vice President—L. B. Foley, superintendent of telegraph for the D., L. and W., of New York.

Secretary and Treasurer—P. W. Drew, superintendent of telegraph for the Wisconsin Central Lines, Milwaukee, Wis.

The first ceremony for the meeting this morning will be the address of welcome by Col. A. M. Waddell, Mayor of Wilmington.

The business session will be followed at 10:30 o'clock by a drive over the city tendered complimentary to ladies of the association by the Chamber of Commerce.

The convention will re-convene in business session at 2:30 o'clock.

As STAR readers are aware, the demonstration of Marconi's wireless telegraphy by Mr. William Maver, Jr., will be given at 4:30 o'clock.

Besides the demonstration of the Marconi wireless system of telegraphy, there will be, during the sessions of the convention, discussions of etheric force, a mysterious force of nature, believed to exist, but not yet captured by science and made subservient to man's uses, and the possible use of one wire for sending both telephone and telegraph messages, believed to be possible. Much interest centers in the possible remarks of Mr. Edison.

A Social To-Night.

The principal social event connected with the sessions of the convention here will occur in the parlors of The Orton from 8:30 until 12 o'clock. There will be special musical features of entertainment and a thoroughly elegant function is assured.

AUDIT AND FINANCE BOARD.

Regular Routine Work at Meeting Last Night—Taxes on Shuttle Block Factory Refunded.

No business of special importance engaged the attention of the city Board of Audit and Finance which met in regular semi monthly session last night.

Mr. H. C. McQueen, the chairman, and all members with the exception of Mr. Jesse Wilder, who was unwell, were present.

Four coupons amounting to $40, due Jan 1st, 1899, which had been paid, were burned by the board.

Mr. Samuel J. Davis, to whom had been awarded the contract for caring for the city's mules and horses, presented his bond in the sum of $1,000 given in the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, of Baltimore, and the same was deferred for correction of figures, contract being $9.70 per head, the bond naming $9.75 per head.

Contract for furnishing lumber awarded by the Board of Aldermen to Fore and Foster, was approved.

The clerk submitted a statement of the examination for the month of April of the books of the Clerk and Treasurer and Tax Collector. The report shows: Cash on hand April 1st, $13,233.67; receipts for the month of April, $2,220.00, making a total of $15,454.57. Disbursements for the month of April amounted to $9,295.09, leaving a balance to May account of $6,159.48.

A petition was presented from Mr. L. A. Weedon, asking for the return of taxes paid for the year 1898, on the "plant for the manufacture of shuttle blocks and handle blocks." This petition was based upon an act of the General Assembly enabling the city of Wilmington to encourage manufacturing and exempting from taxation for a period not exceeding ten years all new manufactories. In accordance with this act, the required notice was served upon the City Treasurer to return the tax on the plant paid for 1898, the notice being signed by Messrs. Oscar Pearsall, Chairman; Clayton Giles, James H. Chadbourn, F. W. Foster, W. E. Worth, Joseph H. Watters, trustees of the manufacturing fund and duly attested by the Secretary, Wm. A. French, Secretary. The amount of tax is $17.50 and the same was ordered refunded.

An ordinance directing the City Clerk and Treasurer to take charge of back tax books and to deliver same to City Attorney for prompt collection and appropriating $150 for the purpose of making a transcript of the books for the years 1894-1898 inclusive, was presented, and, upon motion, the matter was referred to a committee of three, of which the chairman of the board shall be a member, to confer with the finance committee of the Board of Aldermen in reference thereto.

The chairman appointed as the other members of the committee Messrs. W. A. Riach and S. P. McNair.

Bills for current expenses were audited and approved amounting to $1,211.90; coupons, $40.

The board then adjourned subject to call of chairman.

MUNICIPAL COURT YESTERDAY.

Tillman Howard Promptly Gave Bond for His Appearance at Criminal Court.

The only cases of interest before the police court yesterday morning were the two against J. T. Howard, on the charges of abandonment of his wife and criminal intimacy with the wife of W. R. Terry, of Charlotte, both charges being brought by Mrs. Howard.

Howard, through his counsel, Brooke G. Empie, Esq., waived a preliminary examination and gave a cash bond of $50 in each of the two cases for his appearance at the June term of Criminal Court.

Herbert McClammy, Esq., appeared for the prosecution.

Other cases before the police court yesterday morning were those of James Lowe, for being drunk and down on the streets, and several cases against boys for trivial offences.

REMARKABLE TRIP OF THE JONES.

Exceptionally Swift Voyage to Havana, Cuba, and Back to This Port.

The tug *Alexander Jones*, Capt. J. J. Adkins, which recently returned from Havana, Cuba, where she went with three scows in tow, for use in government dredging work, was in this port for the first time since her trip yesterday for the purpose of making her entry at the Custom House.

Capt. Adkins managed the trip most successfully, and made the return from Havana, unencumbered with the scows, in the remarkable short time of sixty-eight hours.

The estimated distance to Havana from Wilmington is seven hundred miles, and these figures indicate that on the return the tug averaged a little more than ten miles per hour.

The time consumed for the entire trip, with stops for coal at Charleston and Key West, was only twenty-one days, and Capt. Adkins and the Cape Fear Towing and Transportation Company are proud of her remarkable record.

33RD ANNIVERSARY.

Of the Organization of the Third North Carolina Infantry Association Held Yesterday—Good Attendance.

Yesterday at the elegant Summer residence of Capt. James I. Metts, on Greenville Sound, members of the Third North Carolina Infantry Association, were royally entertained in honor of the thirty-third anniversary of their organization. A feature of the entertainment and reunion was an elegant dinner served by Capt. Metts, to the twenty-five or more members who had gathered for the purpose of perpetuating the organization, which for thirty-three years has enjoyed an uninterrupted period of successful existence and for the purpose of transacting such business as would best promote the welfare of the association.

Col. W. L. DeRosset, as commanding officer, presided over the annual meeting and Capt. James I. Metts was at his post as secretary. As already stated, there were about twenty-five regular, junior and associate members present, and the session was a most pleasant one. The junior members are the eldest sons of the deceased members of the association and the associate members are the eldest sons of living members.

The party went down on the 10 o'clock Seacoast train and in carriages, returning late in the afternoon.

Among the distinguished members present was Col. Peter Mallett, of New York, who is spending some time in the city, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Gabriel Holmes.

THE STROUSE MEETING.

Interest in Services is Increasing—Talk on Hypnotism—Services To-day.

Last night Rev. Mr. Strouse, who is conducting a series of revival meetings at the Y. M. C. A., preached to a very large congregation and about forty professions were made. Mr. Strouse at the beginning of the service, as announced, made a few remarks with regard to hypnotism, characterizing the art the same as that of sorcery and conjuring, so vehemently condemned in the scriptures. He explained that while there were many persons in the city who made a practice of the art, he believed that none did so with evil intent and that the object of his talk would be realized if those present would be led to regard the matter in a serious light.

After the talk on hypnotism was concluded, he chose for his subject "Salvation" and made an earnest presentation of the way of life to an attentive congregation.

Prof. Burnett is still with Mr. Strouse in the meeting, and his singing continues to be a pleasing feature of the services.

The usual hours for services will be observed to-day.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W., C. & A. Railroad—38 casks spirits turpentine, 55 barrels rosin, 21 barrels tar, 31 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—11 casks spirits turpentine, 19 barrels rosin, 14 barrels tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—19 casks spirits turpentine, 33 barrels rosin, 51 barrels tar, 6 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Frank Sessoms—13 casks spirits turpentine, 25 barrels rosin, 22 barrels tar.

Schooner Joseph—11 casks spirits turpentine, 205 barrels rosin.

Schooner Gold Leaf—30 casks spirits turpentine.

Schooner Minnie Ward—12 casks spirits turpentine, 47 barrels rosin.

Total—Spirits turpentine, 134 casks; rosin, 384 barrels; tar, 108 barrels; crude turpentine, 41 barrels.

DAVID FREDERICK FLOWERS.

Death of One of Bladen County's Oldest and Most Respected Citizens.

A correspondent of the STAR writes as follows:

Mr. David Frederick Flowers, of Bladen, died May 5th, at his home in Carver's Creek township. Mr. Flowers was born in Brunswick county, New Year's Day, 1814. He married Miss Sarah Gillespie, of Bladen, who died in 1887. They were the parents of five children—one son, killed at Gettysburg; two daughters, who died in early womanhood, and two sons, who survive him. He witnessed many changes in the country during his long life, and always manifested a keen interest in the events of the day.

He was a member of the Methodist church, and expressed resignation to death and pleasure at the prospect of entrance into eternal rest.

Exodus of Negroes.

More than a dozen negro families, in the aggregate about sixty persons, the STAR is told, left on the S. A. L. train Monday afternoon for New York and other points north of Wilmington. Smaller parties of negroes are almost daily leaving the city, it is said, but other authorities say that instead of a decrease of negro population there is an increase. All the houses in the negro resident districts are occupied, and the alleys in various sections of the city are filled to overflowing with negro families.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

On account of commencement exercises Collegiate Institute, Taylorsville, N. C., May 23d-26th, the Seaboard Air Line will sell tickets to Taylorsville, N. C., at $9.65 for the round trip. Tickets to be sold May 22d to 25th inclusive; final limit May 27th, 1899.

WILL SAIL TUESDAY.

The North Carolina Naval Reserves Preparing for Cruise On the Prairie.

EVERY MEMBER SHOULD GO.

The Big Ship Will Arrive Sunday—The The Reserves Will Take Charge of Her Monday Evening — Will Cruise to the North.

The North Carolina Naval Reserves will sail from this port for their ten days practice cruise on board the United States steamship *Prairie* next Tuesday afternoon. The *Prairie* will arrive off the bar Sunday and she will anchor at Southport until the Naval Reserves are ready to sail.

In conversation with Captain Geo. L. Morton yesterday afternoon a member of the STAR staff was told that members of the Mt. Olive division Naval Reserves will arrive here Monday morning at 9:40 o'clock, the Elizabeth City and Newbern divisions will get here on the 12:15 train of the same date and the Kinston division will come on the 5:50 P. M. train Monday. These, with the Wilmington and Southport divisions, will constitute the Reserves by whom the splendid practice ship *Prairie* will be manned for the cruise.

Immediately after the arrival of all the State divisions in this city Monday evening they and the Wilmington division will go down to the *Prairie*, where they will be joined by the Southport division and preparations for the ten days cruise will begin at once.

The big ship will be manned by the officers and men of the North Carolina Reserves, under the supervision, of course, of the regular officers of the vessel.

They will sail north from Southport spending almost all the time allotted for the cruise at sea, touching at probably one northern port. Especial attention will be given during the cruise to target practice for the Reserves.

The *Prairie* is a larger vessel than the cruiser *Raleigh*, being more than 400 feet long and drawing 22 feet of water. She requires a crew of 500 men, and has a battery of sixteen guns, eight of which are six-inch.

Captain Morton says this is by far the best opportunity the North Carolina Reserves have had for a cruise on a regular seagoing ship. It is feared, however, that the season of the year is rather bad for members of the various divisions to get leaves of absence from their employers for the cruise.

It is certainly highly important that the largest possible per cent. of the membership should go, especially inasmuch as the annual appropriation to the Naval Reserves by the United States Government will be distributed on the basis of the members who go on the cruise and not according to the Division membership as has been the case heretofore.

Capt Geo. L. Morton will not, on account of urgent business engagements, be able to go on the cruise. He left last night on a trip to Columbia and thence to Florida, and will not return in time to go on the cruise. In the absence of Capt. Morton Commander T. M. Morse, of Southport, will be in command of the Reserves on the cruise.

IN MAGISTERIAL CIRCLES.

A Number of Cases Came Up Before Justices McGowan and Fowler.

Many offenders were before Justice McGowan's tribunal yesterday. The three negro female characters of bad repute, who had their cases removed from the municipal court, were tried yesterday afternoon for disorderly conduct in parading the streets after 10 o'clock at night. Herbert McClammy, Esq., appeared for the defendants and the prosecution was conducted by the City Attorney. Justice McGowan decided the evidence was insufficient to convict and the negroes were discharged.

Other cases tried by Justice McGowan yesterday were: Mag Baldwin, colored, disorderly conduct; dismissed with costs. Mary Jones, colored, disorderly conduct; adjudged a malicious prosecution and the prosecutor required to pay the cost. The case of "parson" Rob Robinson, colored, for perjury, was continued until this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Justice Fowler yesterday tried Robert Johnson, a young white man who is employed at the cotton mills, for carrying concealed weapons, but the defendant was found not guilty and discharged.

G. P. C. Commencement.

The STAR acknowledges with thanks an invitation from the class of ninety-nine to attend the commencement exercises of Greensboro Female College, to be held on May 30th and 31st.

The annual sermon will be preached on Tuesday, May 30th, by Rev. John J. Tegert, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn. An address to the alumnæ will be delivered on the same day by Mr. M. E. Carter, of Chester, Va. The graduating exercises will be on Wednesday morning, followed by the annual concert at night. The art exhibition will be on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The graduating class this year is composed of seven young ladies. They are Miss Lillian G. Burton, Miss Myrtle E. Chatham, Miss Lizzie F. Hadley, Miss Eva P. Heitman, Miss Jennie Clegg Webb, Miss Eva McF. Williams and Miss Elizabeth Lanier Wynne.

A Cup of Coffee that Intoxicates

the senses by its delicious odour as

"Those golden birds that in the spice time drop
About the gardens, drunk with that sweet food
Whose scent hath lured them o'er the Summer flood."

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A RAILROAD TRUCE.

Southern and Atlantic Coast Line Said to Have Agreed Not to Invade Each Other's Territory.

[*Baltimore Sun, May 16th.*]

The announcement that the Southern Railway had secured possession of the Sanford-Mt. Airy division of the Atlantic and Yadkin railroad, or, as it was formerly known, the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley, was a surprise in Baltimore financial circles. This property was bought at foreclosure sale last December by a syndicate composed of Messrs. Harry Walters, B. F. Newcomer and Michael Jenkins. It was then generally accepted that the whole property would become a part of the Atlantic Coast Line, and the development that the western portion of the road was in the hands of the Southern Railway was unexpected.

This is, however, now regarded as indicating an understanding between the Southern Railway and the Atlantic Coast Line to keep out of each other's territory. With the Sanford-Mt. Airy Division the Atlantic Coast Line would have entered Western North Carolina and have been in a position to compete with the Southern. It was the impression among some financiers yesterday that the delivery of this division to the Southern would probably be followed by the surrender by the Southern to the Atlantic Coast Line of the South Carolina and Georgia Railway, which was recently bought by the Southern. In securing this property the Southern obtained an entrance into Charleston, S. C., and other territory of the Coast Line. Previous to the deal with the Southern the Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad Company deeded to the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company, which is one of the Atlantic Coast Line corporations, that portion of its system east of Sanford, North Carolina.

After this the stock of the Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad Company was sold to the Southern Railway Company, thus placing in possession of the latter the control of the remainder of the property. The Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company pays for the portion it acquired by an issue of $1,800,000 of 4 per cent. fifty-year gold bonds, which will be a first mortgage on the property acquired and known as the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company Yadkin Division bonds. These bonds are turned over to the syndicate which made the purchase of the old Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad and reorganized it as the Atlantic and Yadkin. In payment for the whole property the syndicate gave $3,100,000 and there was active competition at the sale, both from the Southern Railway and the Seaboard Air Line.

YACHT SWEETHEART.

Bound to New York From Florida—Put in for Supplies.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

SOUTHPORT, N. C., May 16.—The handsome naptha yacht *Sweetheart*, from Daytona, Fla., bound to New York, arrived this morning and proceeded to Wilmington for naptha. Coming down this afternoon, she anchored in the harbor and expects to sail early in the morning. She is owned by C. G. Burgoyne, of New York.

Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D.

The Louisville (Ky.) *Courier-Journal*, of Monday last, says:

"The Rev. Dr. Peyton H. Hoge, of Wilmington, N. C., who was called to the pulpit of the Warren Memorial Church to succeed Dr. Hamilton, preached his first sermon here yesterday morning before one of the largest congregations that have ever assembled in the church. Dr. Hoge will remain long enough to conduct the service at Warren Memorial Wednesday night, and will then return to his home, where he will take under consideration the call that has been tendered him."

Furniture Men Weekly Half-Holiday.

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"We, the undersigned, hereby agree to close our respective places of business on each Friday in May, June, July and August, 1899, at 1 o'clock P. M., and to stay closed, and make no sales therein till the usual opening hour on each Saturday following."

[Signed] N. F. Parker, Thomas & Mercer, S. Behrends, Jno. J. Kelly, The Sneed Co., H., S. & P. Co., Munroe & Kelly.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 17.

TIMES CHANGE AND MEN WITH THEM.

Gen. Joe Wheeler was one of the orators at the recent re-union of veterans at Charleston. As he is not only a good fighter, but also an eloquent speaker, he acquitted himself very handsomely in his speech on that occasion, although there is a part of it which might have been omitted with a great deal of propriety without detracting in the least from the merit or the effect of the discourse. We do not think that before such an assemblage or such an occasion was the place or the time to put up an elaborate plea in defence of the administration's expansion policy, which is not a popular one in the South, whether it is in other sections of the country or not. And we incline to the opinion, too, that circumstances and recent environments have had a great influence on Gen. Wheeler to make him a special pleader for a policy which he would have condemned twelve months ago, and in fighting against which, as a Southern soldier, he achieved the name and the fame he has and which perhaps makes the people he talks to tolerant of the most glaring inconsistencies, to say the least, in him.

He evidently does not intend that there shall be ground for any one to question his loyalty to the flag under which he fights, nor to the administration which he serves. In the former, he shows his Americanism and his patriotism; in the latter, he shows his zeal at the expense of his judgment and his consistency.

The following extracts are from that speech, and they read very much like the speeches delivered in the Senate by some of the expansion Senators, with the exception of the reference to Cuba, in which General Wheeler goes further than any expansionist in Congress went when such matters were under discussion then or since. It reads very much as if some Republican expansionist were talking and not Joe Wheeler, the Democrat. He said:

"The position in which the American people find themselves to-day was not sought by them, but is the logical result of conditions thrust upon the country by a course of events beyond our control. If it be said that they were foreseen and predicted, it must also be admitted that no power in our grasp could have stayed the tide, and now we stand before the gaze of civilization confronted by grave responsibilities. The supreme test of American institutions is involved, and the American system of government is on trial.

"It is said by some that while England, Holland, France and other nations may extend a protecting hand to peoples and lands separated from the home country, benefiting both the protector and the protected, that we shall be utterly unable to accomplish such a purpose. To admit this proposition is to admit that our system of government is lacking in the essential qualifications which every sovereign power should possess. In one year we have risen to the first place in the family of nations; to make the smallest retrogade step would be at the expense of the prestige we have won. To return to the starting point of a year ago would be to lose what it would take a century to regain. In answer to those who say that the policy of our forefathers forbade the extension of territory, I would point to Jefferson and the Louisiana purchase, Monroe and Florida, Polk and Texas and the vast territory acquired from Mexico, and, later, to Andrew Johnson and the acquisition of Alaska.

"If there be any who contend that we should not permit the Island of Cuba to become a part of the United States, and its people, if they desire it, to enjoy all the rights of American citizenship, I have only to point to the official declarations of our great statesmen, commencing with Thomas Jefferson, and running through almost the entire period of the first half of this century. During all that period our honored statesmen and Presidents, from Jefferson to Buchanan, laid down in their messages and State documents the imperative necessity of making the Pearl of the Antillies a part of the United States."

As we read this it is an apology rather than an argument for or defence of the expansion course being pursued by the McKinley administration, and there is not a point in it that has not been made time and again by expansionists in the Senate and out of it before they were echoed by this Southern soldier before Southern soldiers. But they are no more germane nor any more respectable or convincing coming from the lips of the gallant Southern soldier than they were coming from the lips of Senator Platt or Secretary Alger.

The illustrations are not germane because there isn't the least semblance of parity between the purchase of the territory acquired by the United States on this continent and the acquisition of distant territory by force, especially when such acquisition is a violation of either the expressed or implied pledge of the American people through their representatives in Congress before the war with Spain began, a pledge for which Gen. Wheeler, as a Representative in Congress, voted. He cast his vote and gave his sword to Cuban independence, and if any one then had hinted that he would within twelve months be found defending the very opposite of what he voted for and fought for, he would have resented it as an intolerable insult.

There were good and sufficient reasons for the acquisition of this contiguous continental territory, not of an economic or commercial character simply, but for self-defence and self-protection, for the long-headed men who acquired this territory and paid for it foresaw the day when if not owned by us it might become the empire of a powerful and dangerous rival, which eventually might give us much trouble and make frequent wars necessary to maintain our position, and they wisely decided to secure possession of this territory when the opportunity offered, for the same reason that a man who is able buys land contiguous to his home to prevent the two close proximity of undesirable people. They foresaw the expediency of such purchases, as a coming necessity, and they purchased accordingly, but they were too honest and too manly to put up the hypocritical defence that the motive was to better the condition of the people who inhabited those purchases although their condition was bettered by the change of sovereignty and transfer of fealty.

It is the veriest rot, stirred up so often that it is offensive, to assert that this this country was forced by unforseen circumstances into this course of "criminal aggression," or that there was anything to make it imperative on us to shoot down the people of the Philippines for doing what we lauded the Cubans as patriots for doing and what we sent our army and navy to help them do, and appropriated $150,000,000 and as much more as might be necessary. It is too late in the day to be indulging in such rot, the manipulation of which by such a popular and respectable a Southerner as Gen. Joe Wheeler, doesn't make it a whit the less offensive. In his zeal he seems to be rivalling Alger in leading the procession of expansion boomers.

ADULTERATED FOOD, ETC.

The extent to which food, drink, medicines, etc., are, according to chemical experts, adulterated in this country is alarming, made especially so by the fact that much of this adulteration is made with deleterious articles, some of which are absolutely poisonous if enough of them be taken into the system. Attempts have been made by Federal and State legislation to prevent this adulteration, but apparently with little effect if there be foundation for the statements of these chemical experts. It is not easy to stop this business, because too many profit by it—the original maker and the vender, both of whom can compete with the honest goods that are put upon the market. Drastic legislation, providing severe punishment by fine and imprisonment for the parties that put up and put these foods upon the market might have some effect, but as they profit by the secrecy with which they operate, perhaps publicity might have a good effect in restricting if not altogether preventing these frauds.

The merchants, wholesale and retail, who handle these frauds are not supposed to know that they are adulterated, while they may have reason to believe so because of the prices at which they are offered, but the parties who put them upon the market cannot plead ignorance. They know all about it.

It was stated a few days ago that the chemists associated with the Pure Food Commission had made collections of quite a number of food articles found in stores in Chicago, which they proposed to analyze for the information of the commission. The trade marks and labels have been removed from these articles, so that the men who do the analyzing may not know whose they are or where they came from, but they are so marked as to be easily identified. Their report will be made in due time.

As frauds fear publicity, why would it not be a good idea to publish the reports when frauds are found and give the names of the makers? If after that merchants continued to buy from them they would do it with their eyes open and practically become accomplices in palming these frauds upon the people. If such analyses were made from time to time and public report made of them through the press of the country it might be instrumental in checking these frauds if not entirely preventing them, which is too much to expect.

PEOPLING THE WILDERNESS.

The Trans-Siberian railroad is doing for Southern Siberia what the Pacific railways did for the region West of the Missouri river, that is converting a vast wilderness heretofore but little known into a peopled country, humming with human activities, and it is doing it even more rapidly than the Pacific roads did it for the wild region which they opened up to industry and civilization. That comparatively unknown land proves to be one of the richest agricultural regions on the face of the earth, as level as our Western prairies, quite as fertile and sometimes more so, producing wheat, oats, barley, rye, etc., in abundance, while in the Southern portion Indian corn grows as well as it does in any portion of the United States, and several kinds of nutritious grasses grow wild, affording the richest pasturage for countless herds of cattle, sheep and horses.

As this fertile region covers an area about as large as two-thirds of of the United States, excepting Alaska, it is plain to be seen that the American grain-grower and stockman is to have a formidable competitor on that side of the globe. Agriculture has already made such progress that vast quantities of grain are shipped over the Trans-Siberian road, which is so heavily taxed as to its carrying capacity that it is found necessary to re-equip the 3,000 miles completed, to build stronger bridges, and put down heavier rails, in addition to which surveys are being made for a double track. The work of road construction is comparatively easy as the country for thousands of miles is almost a dead-level, the undulations being scarcely perceptible.

The following, which we clip from the New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin*, will give some idea of how business is increasing on that road:

"The business of the Siberian Railroad is increasing rapidly, though to what extent commercial traffic justifies it, apart from military reasons, it is impossible to say without a fuller statement of earnings and expenses and fixed charges. On the western and central sections, together, the number of passengers carried increased from 175,000 in 1896 to 650,000 in 1808, and the freight from 207,878 short tons to 738,296 short tons year, which is certainly a great growth in two years. These figures do not include 400,000 emigrants and their belongings carried by the Western section. Of 490,000 tons carried by the Western section in 1893, 320,000 tons were cereals. The steppe regions touched by the Western section had to import a hundred thousand tons of grain annually five years ago; now they export 70,000 tons. A traffic of 1,700,000 tons per annum is predicted for the Trans-Siberian road within five years, on the assumption that within that time the road will reach the Pacific ocean and constitute at the same time a transcontinental route and a route from Eastern Siberia to the ocean."

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The man behind the plow is to be compelled to pay 15 per cent more for his implement hereafter, owing to the fact that the plowmakers have combined against him. The manufacturers say there is no trust, but this is one of the cases to be much in a name.—*Chicago News, Ind.*

—— Carnegie has given to educational, charitable and other objects $17,000,000, in round figures. Of this total $11,949,000 were donated to libraries, art galleries, schools, etc. There are twenty-eight of these institutions. Sixteen are libraries, and they are all free. More than $6,000,000 of these contributions have gone to free libraries, schools, etc., in Western Pennsylvania.—*Chattanooga Times, Dem.*

—— The President has cabled Otis to "push things," in the hope that it will have the same happy effect as Grant's telegram to Sheridan; but how men who are marching and fighting day after day, fording rivers and wading through mud waist deep, and who, as one of them wrote the other day, do not have their shoes off for ten days at a time or their underclothing washed for a month, are to push any harder does not readily appear. —*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

— A hewspaper Defender of Alger, Eagan and Armour complains that no criticisms of the quality of the beef furnished to our soldiers have injured the sale of American meat abroad. Undoubtedly who have risked their reputation in the world's markets in order to cheat their Government in time of war is well deserved, but the stigma on our beef is an outrage on the American farmer, who produces the most and turns it over to the manipulators at prices fixed by the manipulators themselves.—*New York Journal, Dem.*

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

M. E. Church, South, Wilmington District.

Jacksonville and Richlands, at Haw Branch, May 16.
Kenansville Circuit, at Charity, May 20-21.
Scott's Hill, at Prospect, May 27.
Wilmington, Fifth Street, 11 A. M., June 4.
Wilmington, Market Street, night, June 4.
Magnolia, Providence, June 10-11.
Burgaw, Herring's Chapel, June 17-18.
Southport, (District Conference), June 21-25.
Brunswick, Shallotte, July 8-9.
Waccamaw, Zion, July 15-16.
Whiteville, Fair Bluff, July 18.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Pilot Mountain *Journal*: Judging from the way the farmers are hauling fertiliser from here there will be an unusually large crop of tobacco planted this year.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The farmers in some neighborhoods report plenty of fruit, apples and peaches, while in other neighborhoods there is almost no fruit of any kind.

— Charlotte *News*: Carrie Ivey, a negro woman whose home is in Codytown, was shot and instantly killed Sunday morning in a house in McKenzie's alley. —— Mr. G. M. Shives, of Gaston county, was in the *News* office this morning and informed a reporter that another hail storm visited his section Friday evening and destroyed several wheat crops that were unhurt by the hail storm of the Sunday past. Mr. Shives was one of the sufferers. His visit to Charlotte to day was to purchase a mower to cut his wheat, which he will use for grass. Mr. Shives says that other farmers in his section suffered the same results from the storm.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: One of the largest crowds ever assembled in the court house of Pitt county was present Monday at the preliminary trial of Dongola murderer and arson case which was continued from last Monday. Detective I. Spohdour, of Smith, West and Lyons' Detective Police Agency, Baltimore, worked 8 days on the case and developed some important testimony. Six arrests were made in all, and the trial Monday was before a court of five magistrates and lasted from 10 o'clock until 6:30. Nothing was found against four prisoners and they were discharged. The evidence was so conclusive against the other two, Elijah Joyner and Caphas Langley, both colored, that they were committed to jail for trial at the next term of the Superior court. —— Rev. J. L. Foster, pastor of the Christian church an this city, will retire from the ministry. He has a lung trouble that compels him to take this step.

— Charlotte *Observer*: Lee Smith, a notorious chicken thief who was sent up not long since for two years, made his escape Tuesday from the little camp. He had not been captured up to a late hour last night. Smith has served two sentences on the chaingarn, and was several weeks in a third one. —— Peter Fink, a white aged 28 years, and Minnie Lee, a white girl of 13 years, both from Harrisburg, left home Sunday afternoon and arriving here about dusk, stopped over night at Robert Paul's near the Jewish cemetary. They left here Monday morning, going in the direction of South Carolina. About noon Chief Orr received a 'phone message from Mr. J. T. Lee, of Harrisburg, father of the girl, telling him of the elopement of the couple, and asking him to look out for and arrest them if possible. Mr. Lee did not know in which direction they had gone, but supposed they had come to Charlotte. Chief Orr at once began inquiry and found that the man and girl had left here yesterday morning. They had been seen at the five mile siding going southward. He 'phoned to Pineville, giving a description of the couple and telling the police to arrest them if they past that way. Later a return message came from Pineville saying the couple had been arrested there. They were brought here and turned over to Chief Orr, and ex-Chief Boger, of Concord, who had come here in search of them. Fink is a farmer and has a wife living near Harrisburg. The girl was turned over to her father at Harrisburg yesterday evening, and the man taken to Concord and jailed.

TWINKLINGS.

— People who live in glass houses shouldn't go to bed with the blinds up.

— Hoax — "Jobson is making money hand over fist." Joax—"What's he doing?" Hoax—"Making gloves and running a boxing school."

— Repartee: The Lawyer—"Take your case to somebody else. You are too thin-skinned." The Client—"Hardly pay you to skin me, eh?"—*Detroit Journal.*

— Practical Father—"If he says he loves you, I suppose he does; but can he support you?" Daughter—"Why, papa, you know it wasn't his fault that the chair broke."

— On the Safe Side: "What kind of coffee," asked the teacher of the class in geography, "do they raise in Brazil?" Tommy Tucker's hand went up. "You may answer, Thomas." "Green coffee, ma'am."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— College Student—"How did you come to lose the game?" Captain ('varsity nine)—"Why, their pitcher and catcher had a set of signals we couldn't possibly understand or get on to—they kept calling out to each other in Latin."—*Puck.*

— "Tommy," said a father to his precious five-year-old son and heir, "your mother tells me she gives you pennies to be good. Do you think that that is right?" "Of course it is," replied Tommy. "You certainly don't want me to grow up and be good for nothing, do you?"—*Judge.*

— He Might as Well: "Just think of a man's paying $40,000 for a seat in the New York Stock exchange!" exclaimed Mrs. Snaggs. "Yes," added Mr. Snaggs, "why doesn't he buy a seat in the United States Senate while he is at it?"—*Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.*

— The Bench and the Bar: Judge —"Your face is familiar. I've seen you before." Prisoner—"Yes, Your Honor; quite often." Judge—"Ah! What was the charge the last time I saw you?" Prisoner—"I think it was fifteen cents, Your Honor. I mixed a cocktail for you, I believe."—*Catholic Standard and Times.*

Explained.

The Cleveland Plain Dealer tells a story to show that there is sometimes a great deal in the way of putting anything

"I understand that you said my eldest daughter was as homely as a mud fence, professor"

"You are quite mistaken, my dear madam What I said was that your esteemed child reminded me of a mixture of terra firma and aqua pura combined in a practical boundary line"

"Oh! Is that all? Dine with us on Sunday, professor"

In the eighteenth century begging was a frightful nuisance in the German states In Bavaria whole regiments had to be sent out to arrest and punish the professional beggars, and Cologne, with a population of only 40,000, had nearly 10,000 paupers

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If you happen to have in your possession the particular French coin known as a 5 franc piece, you may unwittingly be a millionaire.

Such, at least, is the belief shared by hundreds upon thousands of credulous Frenchmen and Frenchwomen, many of whom spend most of their spare time destroying quantities of 5 franc pieces in the hope of realizing a fortune.

Dr. Marco-Leonardo Nardez, the well known numismatist and one of the recognized authorities on coin lore, speaking of this curious condition of affairs, said

"It is quite true that half France still believes in the existence of great wealth hidden in a 5 franc piece, although many numismatists hold that the fortune in question was long ago discovered and appropriated by one of the Rothschild family

"The story of the strange 5 franc fortune legend may be briefly told. A 5 franc piece, to begin with, is a silver coin, and is worth about 4s. 2d Napoleon I was very anxious to make the coin a popular one, and with this end in view he caused it to be circulated everywhere throughout France that he had inserted in one of the silver pieces before it left the mint a bank note or order for 1,000,000 of these same 5 francs—roughly, about £200,000 Whether he really did this or not I cannot say for certain, but the weight of evidence would seem to show that it was done

"In the manuscript memoirs of the Duc de Feltic, Napoleon's minister of war, it is expressly stated that the emperor inclosed a note on the Bank of France, duly signed by the governors of that institution, in a split 5 franc piece; that the halves were then welded together, partially reminted and thrown in a heap of similar coins, which the emperor mixed with his own hands These coins Napoleon took with him in a bag when he went to Boulogne and distributed lavishly en route, even dropping some of them out of his carriage windows In this way it was impossible to keep track of the lucky coin

"The news of this odd lottery spread far and wide, and the 5 franc piece leaped into immediate favor From that day to this mutilation of the coin has been common in France, Switzerland, Belgium and elsewhere Every year the Bank of France is requested to make good scores of pieces split in a vain search for the 5,000,000 franc bank note

"There are many stories dealing with reputed finds of the fortune Indeed when a man becomes suddenly rich in France it is common to hear people whisper, 'He must have found Napoleon's famous coin.'

"Some assert that the emperor kept the coin himself, but this hardly agrees with Napoleon's character. Still it is a current theory that some of the money which enabled Napoleon III to reach the imperial throne was found in the lucky silver piece, which his mother, Queen Hortense, had wheedled out of her brother-in-law

"It was also common talk that General Boulanger had acquired the famous coin until the discovery that his money supplies came from the Duchess d'Uzes set that belief at rest

"The most likely explanation as to why the 5 franc piece fails to turn up is that Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild, a French member of the great Jewish banking house, secured it This account states that Baron de Rothschild, having investigated the tradition and found sufficient proof of its truth, deliberately set to work to locate the note.

"He quietly bought in and collected every 5 franc piece he could get, and his agents were notified to preserve and forward to Paris every 5 franc piece which reached them in Europe, Asia, Africa or America In his office the baron kept three trusty men hard at work bisecting the coins

"Some say that he had invented a plan for welding them together again, so as to defy detection; others maintain that he melted down the silver and sold it to the government en bloc. The work was colossal, but in the end the baron's sytem is said to have conquered.

"He found the note for 5,000,000 francs, having spent nearly 1,000,000 to obtain it The order was duly presented at the Bank of France and cashed by that institution

"Plausible as this narration may seem, the great mass of Frenchmen refuse to credit it, and go on, year after year, splitting open their 5 franc pieces to look for Napoleon's note It is certainly a tantalizing thought that somewhere in the world a check for £200,000 is knocking about hidden in an ordinary silver coin worth less than 5 shillings "—Pearson's Weekly

To Get at the Facts.

"They say that every detail of his previous life appears vividly to a drowning man," said the lawyer.

"I believe that is correct," replied the judge.

"It seems as if such a fact as that ought to be used in the interests of justice," suggested the lawyer reflectively. "Now, if we only knew how to make the proper application of great truths to"—

"Precisely," interrupted the judge. "For instance, in the case of the man you have just helped through bankruptcy a courtroom tank might have done wonders toward getting a truthful schedule of assets and liabilities."

But the lawyer—well, the lawyer always did hold that the judge was given to personalities.—Chicago Post.

More So Than the Other.

A new millionaire, after returning from a continental tour—on which he had long set his heart—was narrating on evening to his friend the doctor how he had visited "the majestic lake of Geneva and trodden the banks of blue Leman."

"Excuse me," interrupted the doctor "Lake Geneva and Lake Leman are synonymous."

"That, my dear sir," replied the new millionaire, "I know very well. But are you aware that Lake Leman is the more synonymous of the two?"

They Needed Prayers.

A member of parliament tells a good story of an out of the way country clergyman who did not keep up to date in what was going on in the world. One Sunday he asked his sexton: "Is the prayer for parliament to be used today? Is parliament still sitting?"

The sexton's reply came promptly, "Well, sir, I don't know, but, anyhow, better pray for them, for they're a precious bad lot!"—London Standard.

The Bravest Soldier.

Frederick the Great after a terrible engagement asked his officers who behaved most intrepidly during the engagement. The preference was unanimously given to himself.

"You are mistaken. The bravest fellow was a fifer whom I passed 20 times during the engagement, and who did not cease or vary a note the whole time."

It is stated that five-eighths of the pastors of the Methodist church of Canada live on salaries ranging from $500 to $1,000. Three hundred and eighty receive less than $500, and only ten receive $9,000 a year.

There are more than 2,000 German waiters in the hotels and restaurants of London.

WASHINGTON IRVING.

He Was an Utter Failure as an After Dinner Speaker.

Washington Irving was not a ready after dinner speaker. The author of "American Bookmen" says that he shunned public appearances. Yet when Dickens came to New York, in 1842, Irving could not escape presiding at the great dinner in his honor. They had already become friends through correspondence, for Irving's delight in Little Nell had to be expressed in a letter to the author, and Dickens, in his enthusiastic response, had said:

" 'Diedrich Knickerbocker' I have worn to death in my pocket, and yet I should show you his mutilated carcass with a joy beyond expression."

The night of the public dinner came, and Irving's dread of the introductory speech kept him murmuring throughout the repast "I shall certainly break down."

At the proper time he rose to his feet, began bravely, but could only utter a few sentences, and ended by taking refuge in the announcement of the toast

"Charles Dickens, the guest of the nation."

The applause was generous, and Irving took his seat

"There!" he said. "I told you I should break down, and I have done it!"

Later, while on his way to Madrid, he found himself called upon at the dinner of the Literary fund in London to respond to the toast, "Washington Irving and American literature." All he could say in acknowledgment of an enthusiastic reception was:

"I beg to return you my very sincere thanks."

One Englishman at the table was heard to make the laconic comment. "Brief!"

"Yes," said another beside him, "but you can tell the gentleman in the very tone of his voice."

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 lb Jute		@	6
Standard		@	7
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ lb	12	@	12½
Sides ℔ lb		@	8
Shoulders ℔ lb	6¾	@	6½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ lb	5¾	@	5½
Shoulders ℔ lb	6	@	6½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 30
New City, each		@	1 35
BEESWAX ℔ lb		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ lb	12½	@	15
Northern	20	@	23
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	51	@	55
Virginia Meal	52	@	55
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℔ lb—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ lb—			
Northern Factory	10½	@	11½
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ lb—			
Laguyra	12	@	16
Rio	7½	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 lbs		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	10	@	11
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	2 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 00	@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ lb	5	@	10
" Extra	4 35	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ lb—			
Low grade		@	3 50
Choice		@	3 75
Straight	4 00	@	4 25
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ lb	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	53	@	55
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	40	@	50
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	60	@	65
Black Eye Peas	1 00	@	1 10
HIDES—℔ lb—			
Green salted		@	6⅓
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 lbs			
Clover Hay	60	@	80
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ lb	1¾	@	1⅞
LARD, ℔ lb—			
Northern	5	@	7
North Carolina	6	@	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	23 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
Common mill	5 00	@	6 50
Fair mill	6 50	@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	11 00
Rump		@	10 50
Prime		@	10 00
ROPE, ℔ lb	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 50	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ lb—Standard Gran'd	5⅝	@	5½
Standard A	5	@	5¼
White Extra C	5	@	5¼
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ lb—Northern	3¼	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 50
Common Mill	4 50	@	5 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 00	@	4 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	5 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ lb		@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	50
WOOL per lb—Unwashed	10	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, May 16.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market dull at 38 cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 37½ cents per gallon for country casks, with no sales. Sales at 37½@37 cents.

ROSIN—Market firm at 95 cents per barrel for Strained and $1.00 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady at $1.35 per barrel for Hard, $2.30 for Dip and $2.40 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine steady at 27@26½c; rosin, dull at 95c@$1.00; tar firm at $1.10; crude turpentine firm at $1.25 $1.80@1.90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	134
Rosin	384
Tar	108
Crude Turpentine	41

Receipts same day last year.—34 casks spirits turpentine, 262 bbls rosin, 145 bbls tar, 48 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market quiet on a basis of 5⅞c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	3 7-16	cts. ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4 13-16	" "
Low Middling	5 7-16	" "
Middling	5⅞	" "
Good Middling	6¼	" "

Same day last year middling 6c.

Receipts—0 bales; same day last year, 106.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Extra prime, 75@80c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80 to 85c. Virginia—Extra prime, 55 to 60c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 82½ to 85c.

CORN—Firm; 50 to 52½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 90c@$1.10; upland 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $2.25 to $3.25; six inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $2.50 to $6.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Money on call was steady at 2¼@4 per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3¼@4¼ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487@487¼ for demand and 485@485¼ for sixty days. Posted rates 486@486½ and 488@488½. Commercial bills 484 @484½. Silver certificates 61¼@@62. Bar silver 61¼. Mexican dollars 48¼. Government bonds easy. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds strong. U. S 2's, registered, 99½; U. S. 3's, registered, 108½; do. coupon, 108¾, U.S. new 4's, registered, 129¼; do. coupon, 129¾; U. S. old 4's, registered, 112⅝; do. coupon, 113½; U.S. 5's, registered, 112¼; do. coupon, 112¼; N.C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 104; Southern Railway 5's 110. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 70; Chesapeake & Ohio 25¼; Manhattan L 109⅝; N. Y. Central 132¾; Reading 19⅝; do. 1st preferred 54⅞; St. Paul 123⅝; do. preferred 169¼; Southern Railway 11⅝; do. preferred 50⅞; American Tobacco 105½; do. preferred 141; People's Gas 116⅞; Sugar 153⅞; do. preferred 116¼; T. C. & Iron 56½; U. S. Leather 6; do. preferred 69¾; Western Union 91⅛.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Rosin easy. Spirits turpentine steady.

SAVANNAH, May 16.—Spirits turpentine firm at 38½c; sales 650 casks; receipts 2,784 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 5,063 barrels; receipts 5,875 barrels.

CHARLESTON, May 16.—Spirits turpentine firm at 37c; no sales. Rosin firm; and unchanged; no sales.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Without being particularly active the market for cotton futures was considerably steadier, and averaged an advance of several points, for the session. Trading on the call was quiet, with prices unchanged to one point higher. Sellers became very conservative later, as public and private accounts regarding the crop conditions in the South were quite bullish. At the best level of the day the market showed an advance of two to three points. On the upward movement there was some investment buying, but business chiefly was in the way of covering short contracts. The foreign contingent figured as buyers and gave attention chiefly to the crop positions. The market was finally steady, one to two points net higher.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Cotton steady; middling uplands 6 3-16c.

Cotton futures market closed steady; May 5.82c, June 5.84c, July 5.87c, August 5.89c, September 5.85c, October 5.88c, November 5.89c, December 5.93e, January 5.98c, February 6.00c, March 6.04c; April 6.07c.

Spot cotton closed steady and unchanged; middling uplands 6 3-16c; middling gulf 6 7-16c; sales 503 bales.

Net receipts 1,842 bales; gross receipts 2,387 bales; sales 503 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,804 bales; exports to the Continent 300 bales; stock 172,037 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 11,606 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,998; exports to the Continent 677 bales; stock 748,643 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 30,746 bales; exports to Great Britain 8,880 bales; exports to France 382 bales; exports to the Continent 13,436 bales;

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 8,015,354 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,288,860 bales; exports to France 698,089 bales; exports to the Continent 2,538,476 bales.

May 17.—Galveston, quiet at 5 15 16, net receipts 3,988 bales; Norfolk, dull at 5⅞c, net receipts 178 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 6¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 6 3-16c, net receipts — bales; Wilmington, quiet at 5⅞c, net receipts — bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 6 7-16c, net receipts 229 bales; Savannah, quiet at 5¾, net receipts 400 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 5 13-16, net receipts 1,778 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5 11-16c, net receipts 576 bales; Memphis, dull at 5¾c, net receipts 677 bales; Augusta, steady at 6¼, net receipts 2 bales; Charleston, quiet at 5½, net receipts 207 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Flour was dull but steady. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 82½c; options opened easy and unchanged; No. 2 red May closed 78¾; July closed 76½; September closed 74⅞c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 41½c; options opened easier, influenced by strike news and bearish crop talk; closed weak until helped by wheat in the last hour, when it rallied and closed strong at ⅛@⅜c advance; sales included; May closed 38⅞c; July closed 38⅜c; September closed 39c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2 white 31½c; options slow. Lard steady; Western steam $5 55; city $4 10; May closed $5 55, nominal; refined steady. Pork easy. Butter firm; Western creamery 15@19c. Cheese steady; large colored 11½c; new firm; large 9¼@9⅝c. Cotton seed oil dull; prime crude 21c; do. yellow 25@25½c. Petroleum dull. Rice firm. Tallow firm; city 4¼c bid; country 4½@4⅝c. Potatoes—Market steady; New York $1 25@1 50; Jersey sweets $1 00@2 00. Cabbage quiet at $1 50@1 75 per barrel crate. Coffee—Spot Rio dull and nominal; No. 7 invoice 6⅛c; No. 7 jobbing 6⅞c; mild dull. Sugar—Raw firm and held higher; fair refining 4⅛c; refined firm.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Sensational claims of damages from Hessian flies caused an advance of ⅝c. a bushel in wheat to-day. Corn closed with a gain of ⅛@⅜c. and oats ⅛c. Pork declined 7½c. and lard and ribs 2½c.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Cash quotations: Flour quiet and steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 69½@70c; No. 3 do. 65½@69½c; No. 2 red 72@74c. Corn—No. 2 33c. Oats—No. 2, 26½@27c; No. 2 white, free on board, 30c; No. 3 white 28¾@29½c. Pork, per bbl, $8 20@8 25. Lard, per 100 lbs, $5 00@5 02½. Short rib sides, loose, $4 50@4 80. Dry salted shoulders, $4 25@4 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $4 95@5 00. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 26.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2, May 69, 70, 68⅞, 70; July 70½@70¼, 70½@70¼, 70, 70⅜c; September 65⅝@69¼, 70⅞@71, 69¼, 70⅜c. Corn—May 32⅝, 32⅞, 33¾@32¾, 32⅞c; July 33@33⅜, 33⅜, 33⅛@33¼, 33¼c; September 33⅜, 34⅛@34¼, 33⅜, 34⅜c. Oats—No. 2 May 26¼, 26¼, 26½, 26⅝c; July 23¼, 23⅜, 23¼, 23⅜@23⅜c; September 20¼@20⅜, 21, 20⅜, 20⅞@21. Pork, per bbl—July $8 40, 8 40, 8 30, 8 32½; September $8 57½, 8 60, 8 45, 8 47½. Lard, per 100 lbs—July $5 10, 5 12½, 5 05, 5 07½; September $5 22½, 5 25 5 17½, 5 20. Ribs, per 100 lbs—July $4 72½, 4 72½, 4 67½, 4 70; September $4 85, 4 87½, 4 80, 4 82½.

BALTIMORE, May 16.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat steady—Spot 72¾@73c; month 72¾@72⅞c; June 73¼@73½c; July 73½@73⅝c. Southern wheat by sample 68@73¼c. Corn easier—Spot 37⅛@37⅜c; month 37½@37⅝c; June 37⅜@38⅛c; July 37½@37⅝c. Southern white corn 42c. Oats steady; No. 2 white 33½@34c. Lettuce 40c per bushel box.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, May 16, 4 P. M. Cotton—Spot dull; prices unchanged. American middling 3⅜d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 7,500 bales American. Receipts 14,000 bales, including 13,900 bales American.

Futures opened quiet with a poor demand and closed steady. American middling (l. m. c.) May 3 20 64d seller; May and June 3 20-64d seller; June and July 3 20-64@3 21-64d buyer; July and August 3 21-64d buyer; August and September 3 21-64d buyer; September and October 3 20-64@3 21-64d buyer; October and November 3 20-64d value; November and December 3 19-64@3 20-64d seller; December and January 3 19-64@3 20-64d seller; January and February 3 19-64@3 20-64d buyer; February and March 3 20-64d buyer; March and April 3 21-64d seller.

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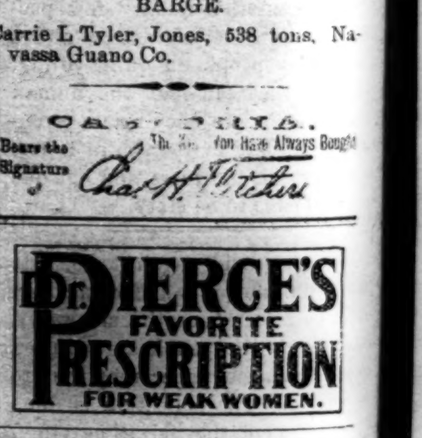

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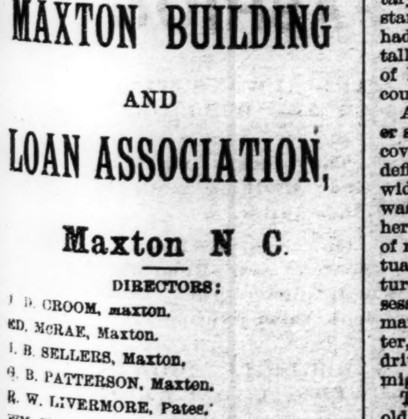

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Removal.

J. E. COWELL has removed his Barber Shop to Second street, between Market and Princess, corner Purcell alley. ma 10 tf

THE LOST JEWEL.

How did such a great rough monster as I am come to marry a delicate little daisy of a French girl like Pearl Trillard? Well, it's quite a story.

I had just come home from a two years' sojourn in the diamond fields of Port Natal. All the diamonds that ever glittered in the valley of Sindbad the Sailor would not make such a place as that endurable. I hadn't any home to speak of, and yet I was homesick the whole time I was at Port Natal.

At first I had no great luck to speak of. The fields were crowded with seekers as eager and persistent as myself, and after four or five months I began to feel almost like despairing.

But I resolved to stay on, and it was well that I did, for on Friday, May 17, 1870, I found a great stone that looked like a rough, dirt incrusted pebble at first, but the second glance told me it was a diamond such as is found only once in years.

Silently I dropped it into my pocket and strode off homeward, slouching listlessly along, as I always did.

"Hello!" cried a wiry little Cape Cod man. "Densley's played out. Why, Densley, it ain't noon yet by the best chronometer in Boston."

"I don't care," said I. "I am going home."

"Pshaw! I thought you had more pluck. Faint heart never won big diamond yet. Don't give it up, man."

But I went back to the colony, wondering that they did not hear the confused beating of my heart, which seemed to fill the tropical silence with a noise like a reveille.

When I was alone, I drew out the great stone and feasted my eyes on its fair proportions. I danced—I sang, in short. I had been seeking it a score of years. I had found it at last.

Well, I said nothing of my discovery and came back to the states, with the diamond in a little leather sack stitched on the waist of the flannel shirt I wore underneath the linen one.

It seemed rather necessary that I should civilize myself a little, so I dropped into the first furnishing store which lay in my way.

The young girl behind the counter struck my eye pleasantly, as a flower or a sunset or a star sown sky might have done. She was tall and slight, very pale, with great almond shaped eyes, a mouth like scarlet coral, and an abundance of dead black hair that seemed to weigh her small head down with its heavy duskiness.

I was clumsy and did not know what I wanted. Pearl Trillard did. She told me plainly what was necessary and what was not. So I bought my outfit and paid for it and went home with a part under my arm—the rest was to be sent home—with Pearl's black almond shaped orbs still haunting me.

It was January, and a fire had just been lighted on the hearth of the room I had engaged.

I sat down in front of it when supper was over and took out my pocketbook—to the inner compartment of which, since my arrival in port, I had transferred the little chamois leather sack which held my fortune—to have a look at the precious stone.

There was no sack there.

I searched through and through the faded leather flaps of the worn pocketbook.

I shook out the skirts of my coat. I even got down on my knees to search the floor beneath, but the diamond and its receptacle were gone.

For a minute or two it seemed as if the whole room was in a whirl around me. My heart stopped pulsing, my blood grew chill and a deadly sickness stole through my whole being.

The diamond—the diamond for which I had toiled and striven and waited and suffered—the diamond, it was gone.

I believe I was for the moment insane. I rose and staggered blindly toward the pistol which I always carried in the breast pocket of my outer coat, with some vague idea of putting an end to the life which had been such an utter failure.

When there came a soft little knock on the panels of the door, I suppose I must have answered, "Come in!" for the door was pushed open, and Pearl Trillard stood there, with a little boy—her brother, as I learned—at her side.

"I found a little paper parcel on the counter this afternoon after you had left, sir," she said. "There is only a little clear stone in it, but"—

And then—so Pearl has subsequently told me—I fell like a log to the floor.

She nursed me through the fever that followed. There was no one else to do it, and but for her care I never should have been alive to tell this story.

And she fully believed that a part of my fevered faith was the faith that the "little stone," as she called it, was a diamond.

It was not until after our marriage that she saw it, cut and polished and glittering as if a thousand splintered rainbows were prisoned in its sparkling facets. I myself, who was used to diamonds, scarcely recognized the radiant jewel, and Pearl uttered a cry of rapturous admiration.

And the money for which that solitaire sold bought me this western farm, and that's how it all happened.—Exchange.

Wiggins Won the Match.

"The late W. H. Wiggins," remarked a prominent hotel man to a reporter, "though always addressed as 'judge,' was not a lawyer. For over 20 years he was a clerk in the fileroom of the house of representatives. The judge prided himself very much over a gold watch he won as the most popular man for president which was voted to him during the Garfield memorial fair, held in the capital.

"The watch was given by a western watch manufacturing concern and was a good one. It was put up to be balloted for, the candidates being Sherman, Blaine, Allison, Logan and a half dozen others of almost equal prominence. At that time there was a newspaper correspondent here by the name of Felix Crocraft. The votes were piling up rather rapidly for the various candidates, when Crocraft, as a joke, cast a vote for Judge Wiggins as the people's choice for president. Some friends joined in, and before the evening had passed the Wiggins vote was rather respectable. The humor of the thing caught on, and in three nights Wiggins led all the others. Wiggins had served under Mr. Blaine when he was speaker of the house, and Blaine himself cast some votes for him. Some of the friends of the other candidates thought it rather too serious a matter to joke over and went to work with a will to knock Judge Wiggins out. This aroused Billy Copeland of the Brooklyn Eagle, Charley Fowler of the Boston Traveller and some others who were strong Wiggins men, and the result of the contest was that Wiggins won out easily, and the fair gained over $300 for the watch."—Washington Star.

In Paris one rarely sees a drunken woman, in London often.

Consumption and Canaries.

We do not in this paragraph allude to the islands to which people fly for the cure of consumption, but to the little birds which sing songs to us in their captivity, and are, according to Dr. Tucker Wise, a cause from which consumption comes. This gentleman says that from his own observation he is of opinion that in many instances diseased cage birds, such as canaries, communicate tuberculosis to a serious extent among human beings. As about 400,000 canaries are reputed to be sold every year in the United Kingdom, and as it is stated that tuberculosis is one of the most common diseases of birds, it does not seem unlikely that the canary may have considerable influence in the distribution of tuberculous infection.—London Hospital.

Accepted the Amendment.

Joseph Jefferson, at a dinner in New York, said that when called upon for a curtain speech in New Haven Billy Florence once delivered himself thus: "It is here and to you, ladies and gentlemen, that I owe my present success in my profession. We knew each other when boys and girls. We played marbles together under the shadow of the old church, and now to receive this warm welcome from old friends—what can I say? Simply that I never can forget the people of Hartford." A man in the front row said, "This is New Haven, Mr. Florence." "I mean New Haven, of course," said Florence gravely.

WHEN YOUTH IS DONE.

We cannot hope the waning days will pass
And leave no trace upon the plumed lea.
Time's footfall down the years, though light and free,
Still browns the sward and sears the ripened grass.

So, gazing deeply in life's misted glass,
Young charms that, wraithlike, for the nonce we see,
Fade swiftly as the early sunsets flee
When night comes down to wrap the still morass.

But there be tender twilights for our years,
When we may turn us to abiding cheers.
Then, sweet my love, reach down your hand to me,
That, standing pulse to pulse and twain in one,
We fix our perfect joy in memory,
To bless and warm our hearts when youth is done.

—Elizabeth Alden Curtis in Connecticut Quarterly.

HE STOOD HIS GROUND.

The Military Suitor Was Fearless and Won the Girl.

There recently visited in Detroit a military man whose beautiful wife was an instantaneous favorite with all those who had the pleasure of meeting her. She was tall, erect, graceful, with a positive wealth of health and color. The romance of her courtship was entirely out of the usual.

A hard headed and rugged old southerner suddenly became rich through the discovery of coal in hills so steep that they defied all efforts at cultivation. He was a widower with one daughter, and nothing was left undone that money would do for her. She was worthy of this lavishment of riches and added the charm of intellectual attainments to those bestowed by nature. As a result the father became possessed of the idea that there was not one man in a million worthy of such a daughter, and resolutely set himself the task of driving away the other 999,999 as they might present themselves.

They came, but when they asked of the old gentleman the privilege of becoming suitors he promptly created a hurricane. He gave the sighing swains to plainly understand that they were too utterly unworthy and that their presence in the future would be the signal for opening up from an ambuscade vaguely hinted at. Lover after lover had ridden desperately away from his door before the son of Mars appeared. Upon him the stern parent opened up after the usual manner. The military man was characterized as presumptuous, mercenary and impertinent. The soldier smiled and declined to blush. He laughed and snapped his fingers when the old gentleman followed up with another outburst.

"Keep it going," he said. "You do it admirably. What an actor you are! You have driven away a score of craven youths. I decline to be terrified. But you are superb in the part."

Then the old gentleman wilted, sang low and surrendered, subject to the approval of the daughter, which was promptly given.—Detroit Free Press.

DYSPEPTIC CARLYLE.

His Deprecatory Opinions of Several of His Famous Contemporaries.

Dr. J B Crozier, a Canadian physician, in a volume called "My Inner Life," tells of a very breezy interview he had with Thomas Carlyle, whose advice he once sought about going in for literature. Dr. Crozier, in reply to the old man's query as to what authors he knew, mentioned John Stuart Mill. Carlyle broke out:

"Oh, aye, poor Mill! He used to come to me here with his Benthamism, his radicalism, his greatest number, and a' that nonsense, but I had to tell him at last it was a' moonshine, and he didna like it. But he was a thin, wire drawn, sawdustish, logic chopping kind of body, was poor Mill. When his book on liberty came out, he sent me a copy of it to read, but I just had to tell him that I didn't agree with a single word of it from beginning to end. He was offended, and never came back to me."

The doctor tried Buckle:

"Of all the blockheads by whom this bewildered generation has been deluded that man Buckle was the greatest. * * * A more long winded, conceited blockhead, and one more full of empty, barren formulas about the progress of the species, progress of this and progress of that, and especially the progress of science, I never came across—a poor creature that could be of service to no mortal."

And finally Herbert Spencer:

"Spencer! An immeasurable ass. * * * And so ye've been meddling with Spencer, have ye? He was brought to me by Lewes, and a more conceited young man I thought I had never seen. He seemed to think himself just a perfect owl of Minerva for knowledge. * * * Ye'll get little good out of him, young man."

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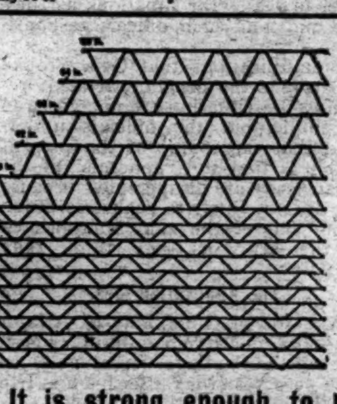

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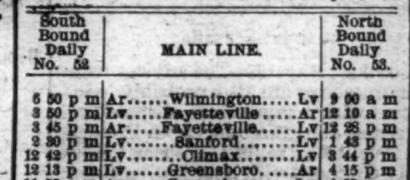

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3 50 p m	Lv......Fayetteville......Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	12 28 p m
2 30 p m	Lv......Sanford......Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv......Climax......Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv......Walnut Cove......Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv......Rural Hall......Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv......Mt. Airy......Ar	7 35 p m

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9 35 a m	Lv......Red Springs......Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv......Hope Mills......Lv	4 52 p m
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DAILY 5.50 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.19 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 5.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.03 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.22 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 8.10 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 10.50 A. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Hub 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Aartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.50 A. M., Wadesboro 2.25 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.14 P. M., arrive Selma 2.50 P. M., 11.57 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.06 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M., returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M., Fayetteville 12.15 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.52 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.29 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.13 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 3.

To Take Effect Sunday, Nov. 28, 1897, at 12 M.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro........	11 05	....
....	4 33	Kinston........	10 13	....
5 35	5 45	Newbern........	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 02	Morehead City.	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 17.

STANDARD OIL TRUST AND ITS EARNINGS.

Enormous Profits — Discrimination in Railroad Rates in Favor of the Oil Company.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—Attorney General Frank S. Monett, of Ohio, was before the Industrial Commission to-day as a witness in the trust investigation. His testimony was almost exclusively as to the Standard Trust, against which he has been proceeding in his official capacity in Ohio. After detailing particulars of the suits against the Standard Oil Company, brought in behalf of the State of Ohio, he said that companies comprising the trust were so distributed as to control the operations pertaining to the production, transportation, refining and delivery of the products of the oil wells in Ohio, including even its own telegraph system. Referring to this telegraph line, Mr. Monett said it had been developed that it has exchanged business with the Western Union Company, acting as a common carrier and making a cheaper rate to the constituent members of the trust than to other customers, functions which were outside the corporate authority of the trust. He also complained of the discrimination in railroad rates in favor of the Standard Oil Company tank oil lines, saying that it was equal to 400 per cent against the ordinary citizen.

Speaking of the earnings of the trust, Mr. Monett estimated that the gross receipts were $120,000,000 a year on the oil product alone, and that all was profit over four cents a gallon on refined oil. He placed the value of the earnings of the company per year as greater than the farm products of the State. Referring to the necessity of controlling the transportation agencies as an available remedy for the evils of which he complained, Mr. Monett said that no course could be too severe, if nothing less would produce the desired result. The States had the remedy of depriving the railroad companies of their charters, and this should be resorted to if they failed to treat all equally fair. While he thought that for the past two years affairs had been going rapidly toward the control of the country by a few individuals, the witness thought there was no great danger of its going much farther, because the masses of the people were thoroughly aroused. He did not look upon government control of the public utilities as an effectual remedy.

In conclusion, Mr. Monett said that suits had been begun in the Ohio courts against the Brewers, the Tobacco, and the Tin Plate trusts, and also against the Central Traffic Association.

There will be no more witnesses before the commission until next Friday.

CONDITION OF CROPS.

Reports to the Agricultural Department. Season Favorable for Cotton in the Carolinas and Georgia.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The most unfavorable features of the week ending May 15th were the unseasonably low temperatures on the North Pacific coast, the continued absence of rain over the greater part of the Gulf States, and excessive rains which retarded farming operations in the Ohio and Mississippi valleys. Except on the North Pacific coast, the temperature conditions of the week have been decidedly favorable and crops generally have made good growth except in portions of the Gulf States, where they are suffering from drought. Frosts were frequent in portions of the Lake region, upper Mississippi and upper Missouri valleys, but on the whole no serious damage is reported.

In the Carolinas and Georgia this week had been favorable for cotton, but in the central portion of the cotton belt the crop has suffered from insects and in the southern portions of Mississippi and Louisiana from drought. Poor stands are reported from Missouri and Arkansas. Planting continues in Southwest Texas, where some re-planting will be necessitated on account of heavy rains which have also delayed planting in Oklahoma. The bulk of the crop in Texas, however, is up to good stands, is well cultivated, and is growing rapidly in the south portion but is badly in grass in the central and north portions.

Some tobacco has been transplanted in Kentucky, Ohio and Virginia; farther north no transplanting has been done, but preparations are well advanced and plants are generally plentiful. In South Carolina and Florida the crop is needing rain.

TO CIRCUMVENT OLD AGE.

Youth Renewed by Hypodermic Injections of the Lymphatic Fluid of Animals.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, May 16.—The *Tribune* says: A discovery which, it is claimed, solves the problem of circumventing old age, has just been made public by Professor J. S. Hawley and Alexander C. Weiner, of the Chicago Clinical School. The return to youth, it is asserted, is produced by hypodermic injections of the lymphatic fluid of animals, particularly young goats. The discovery was made a year ago, and subsequent secret demonstrations of its efficiency are proved.

The general theory of the discovery is that if the mineral deposits which accumulate in the bones in the process of life can be replaced with the life cells contained in the lymphatic glands of goats, deterioration of the bones will be prevented and elasticity will be retained in the system much longer. A number of animals and human beings, it is said, have been experimented on in Chicago with good effects.

The apostles of the discovery do not claim that a man or woman thus charged with goat's "life cells" will live forever, but they say life will be prolonged, perhaps doubled

SENTENCED TO BE HANGED.

Negro Who Murdered Miss Clark in Prince George County, Maryland.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, May 16.—John Berry, the colored boy who killed Miss Amanda Clark, by whom he was employed as a servant, near Bowie, Prince George county, on March 10th, was to-day convicted of murder in the first degree by a jury in the Criminal Court and sentenced to be hanged by Judge Wright. He received the sentence with the same indifference he has exhibited since the trial began Monday morning.

EXITEMENT IN THE TRANSVAAL.

The Discovery of An Alleged Plot to Overturn the Boer Government.

A NUMBER OF ARRESTS MADE

Eight Former Officers of the British Army Put in Jail at Pretoria—Charged With Treason—News Causes Some Concern in London.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PRETORIA, TRANSVAAL, May 16.—The arrest at Johannesburg early this morning of seven alleged former British officers, on the charge of high treason, has caused intense excitement here.

The prisoners were brought to Pretoria by special train. After they had been lodged in jail they were visited by the British diplomatic agent here. The arrests were effected by a detective who joined the movement which, it is asserted, was for the purpose of enrolling men in order to cause an outbreak of rebellion. Incriminating documents were found upon the prisoners and it is said that further arrests will be made.

The Arrested Officers.

PRETORIA, May 16.—The officers arrested, who are eight in number, instead of seven, as previously cabled, are Captain Patterson, formerly of the Lancers, Colonel R. F. Nicholls, Lieutenant E. J. Tremlott, C. A. Ellis, lately a private detective at Johannesburg; Lieutenant John Allen, formerly of the Horse Artillery; Quartermaster Mitchell, former Sergeant J. Fries and former Sergeant R. P. Hooper. None of them has been in the employ of the British South African Chartered Company.

It is said that the commissioner of police, who had the affair in hand, had been working up the case for months. Mr. Beaty, the detective who effected the arrests, received his instructions last week and secured the necessary warrants yesterday.

The executive council of the Transvaal is sitting in secret session this evening, considering the arrests.

More Warrants Issued.

JOHANNESBURG, May 16.—Further warrants have been issued. It is asserted that the officers already arrested were also preparing to organize a corps in Natal, the British colony between the Orange Free State and the Indian Ocean, to assist the projected movement at Johannesburg.

CAPETOWN, May 16.—According to advices from Pretoria the charge against the prisoners is, that while staying in the Rand, privately, they were really engaged enlisting men for purposes of rebellion when they were ready to give the signal. It is said that the enlistment roster included 2,000 men, and that a number of incriminating documents were found at the time the arrests were made.

The News in London.

LONDON, May 16.—Joseph C. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, this evening said he had heard nothing officially regarding the arrests in the Transvaal and did not think that serious significance ought to be attached to them. The news caused considerable excitement among the members of the House, but little disposition was manifested to credit the rumors of a rebellious conspiracy.

A Great Sensation.

LONDON, May 16.—The advices from Johannesburg are also probably connected with a mysterious dispatch received at Johannesburg from Pretoria on May 12th, saying a special train fully equipped with Boer artillerymen, guns and a searchlight apparatus was being held in readiness at the capital of the Transvaal. The statement was then declared to be without significance, but to-day's news brings a more serious light on the movement, and it is certain there will be a great sensation in London when the news of the arrest becomes generally known.

The afternoon papers print dispatches from Capetown, saying seven men have been arrested at Johannesburg and have been taken to Pretoria. The government of Cape Colony, it further appears, is considering the matter secretly.

The news has caused great excitement throughout South Africa.

The *Standard and Diggers News*, the Boers' organ in London, has a dispatch from Pretoria which says the warrants were issued yesterday evening by the State attorney and were executed by midnight. The dispatch adds that a plot of rebellion is alleged to have been maturing for four months, and that the accused, who are said to have been engaged by the South African League, had already enlisted two thousand men. Cecil Rhodes, the former premier of Cape Colony and resident director of the British Chartered South African Company in South Africa, informs the Associated Press that he heard nothing regarding the arrests made at Johannesburg, and that he knows nothing about the reason for which they were made.

LONDON, May 17.—All the morning papers devote their principal editorials to the arrests in the Transvaal, counselling a postponement of conclusions until the facts of the case are ascertained, and declining to believe that English officers or subjects have been guilty of what the *Standard* terms "Such treasonable folly."

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The Resolution Affirming Hostility to the Liquor Traffic Adopted.

By Telegrapn to the Morning Star.

LOUISVILLE, KY., May 16.—Hot Springs has been chosen as the next place of meeting of the Baptist Convention.

C. H. Winston, of Virginia, was elected president of the Foreign Mission Board. Henry McDonald, president of the Home Mission Board, and F. E. Goulk, of Tennessee, president of the School House Board.

A resolution affirming the hostility of the convention to the liquor traffic and stating it as the sense of the delegates that no Baptist church should allow a dealer in liquor in its congregation, was introduced. This resolution upholds the action of a Louisville Baptist church in turning out of its fold all members engaged in the traffic of liquor. The resolution was amended to include only those dealers in liquor as a beverage, and in this shape it was adopted.

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ALL QUIET AT MANILA.

U. S. Cruiser Charleston Arrives From Hong Kong—Spaniards Preparing to Evacuate Zamboanga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MANILA, May 16.—Messrs. Carrack and Holmes, the American and Canadian civilians captured at the Calumpit rice mill, have been released by the rebel General Luna, who saw them through the lines, with several Englishmen, who received forty-eight hours' notice to leave the rebel territory.

The United States cruiser Charleston has arrived here from Hong Kong. She touched at Aparri, communicating with the United States gunboat Concord, stationed at the mouth of the harbor. Some archers shot arrows at the Concord's boat which was sent ashore for sand, and no further attempt to land was made.

The Charleston also spoke the United States gunboat Wheeling at Lingagan. All are quiet there.

Spaniards to Evacuate Zamboanga.

MANILA, May 16.—General Rios, in command of the Spanish troops remaining in the Philippines islands has cabled to the war office here announcing that he has entered into an agreement with Major General Otis, the American commander, for an immediate Spanish evacuation of Zamboanga and Jolo. Consequently, the dispatch adds the steamer Leon XIII. has started with American troops who will occupy Jolo and render honors to the Spanish flag on the departure of the Spanish troops. The Leon XIII. will proceed from Jolo to Zamboanga, where the vessel will be met by General Rios with the steamers Porto Rico and Uranus. The Spanish general will superintend the evacuation.

The dispatch further says the Americans will not occupy Zamboanga.

TRUE BILLS RETURNED.

Against Principals and Co-Conspirators in the Revenue Stamp Counterfeiting Cases.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, PA, May 16.—Bills of indictment were submitted to the grand jury in the U. S. District Court to-day against the principals and alleged principals and co conspirators in the great revenue stamp counterfeiting case recently exposed by secret service men. Included among the bills are one charging former U. S. District Attorney Ingham with conspiracy, and his law partner and former assistant in the district attorney's office, Harvey K. Newitt, with bribery of secret service operative McManus.

The others implicated, all of whom have admitted their guilt, are Wm. M. Jacobs and Wm. L. Kendig, the Lancaster tobacco dealers and ringleaders in the scheme of counterfeiting; Baldwin S. Bredell and Arthur Taylor, the engravers who made the plates for the cigar stamps, and in whose place in this city was found the plate from which the famous $100 silver certificate "Monroe head" counterfeit was printed; Samuel B. Downey, of Lancaster, deputy collector of revenue, whom Jacobs bribed, and James Burns, a workman in the Jacobs factory, where thousands of stamps and tons of paper were found.

After deliberating for two hours the grand jury returned true bills in each case. Three separate bills were presented against Ingham and Newitt.

ARKANSAS MINE TROUBLE.

Deputy Sheriffs Arrive With Orders to Disarm Everybody—Strikers Well Supplied With Arms.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HUNTINGTON, ARK., May 16.—No further rioting occurred here to day. Three large dynamite bombs were found at the stockade where the attack occurred last night. It is believed that the strikers intended to blow up the mine. Twelve deputy sheriffs arrived from Fort Smith to-night, with orders from the Governor to disarm everybody. No work was done in the mines to day, but an attempt will be made to put the negro miners to work to-morrow. The strikers are well supplied with arms and ammunition.

DEWEY HOME FUND.

Address and Call for Contributions by the National Committee.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The National Committee of the Dewey home fund, consisting of Frank A. Vanderlip, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Charles H. Allen, Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Brigadier General Henry C. Corbin, Perry S. Heath, First Assistant Postmaster General, and Ellis G. Roberts, Treasurer of the United States, have issued an address to the people of the United States.

The address sets forth at length the value of Admiral Dewey's service to the country, and calls on all classes to testify their appreciation by contributions, however small. Contributions sent to Ellis H. Roberts, treasurer, will be acknowledged.

DISASTROUS STORM.

Several Houses Demolished and Crops Badly Damaged.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MT. PLEASANT, PA., May 16.—The storm which caught this section at 5 o'clock this evening, was the most severe and disastrous in many years. Rain fell in torrents, and hail was so severe that it is feared crops are badly damaged.

Ten houses of the Illinois Steel Company at Moorwood, just underway of completion, and one belonging to the workmen, were blown to pieces. The large plate glass windows in the company's store at that place were broken by the wind and hail.

FOR A $500 PURSE.

Sam McGowan Defeated by Tom Corcoran in Ten Rounds.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., May 16—Sam McGowan, of Washington, D. C., was defeated here to-night by Tom Corcoran, of Savannah, in a fight for a $500 purse. McGowan lasted only ten rounds out of a proposed twenty. During the ninth and tenth rounds McGowan was terribly punished, and was as bloody as a beef. There were repeated calls for the police to stop the fight.

President and Mrs. McKinley drove to Warm Springs yesterday, about five miles from the hotel. The President drove himself.

CUBAN SITUATION IS NOT ALARMING.

The So-Called Generals in the Army Said to be the Source of Trouble.

NO ORDERS TO GEN. BROOKE.

The Annexation Idea Gaining Ground in Santiago Province—Country Generally Prosperous — General Gomez's Proclamation.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—General Brooke has not reported to the War Department any serious situation in Cuba, and it is not believed at the department that any alarm need be felt regarding the condition of affairs. No advice is given General Brooke, as it has been the policy of the President to clothe the officers in command in the island with plenary power to deal with situations as they arise and hold such officers responsible.

Communications that Gen. Brooke has made to the army department regarding the situation are not given to the public, but the officials understand that the source of the present trouble is that the "generals" of the Cuban army are disappointed because they are not likely to realize as much money out of the sum appropriated for the army as they think they should.

The Annexation Idea.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, May 16.—Major General Leonard Wood, military governor of the Santiago department, arrived here yesterday after his first trip into the interior of the province.

The country traversed he found in a generally prosperous condition. The planters are planting cane and expect a full crop next year. Stories regarding bandits seem for the most part to have been promoted by professional politicians, who have an interest in maintaining disturbing conditions. Everywhere General Wood found the people anxious for greater security, and the annexation idea is undoubtedly growing, in spite of all efforts on the part of agitators to the contrary.

Along the whole route he was received with enthusiasm, and at several points with very elaborate arrangements to welcome him.

Gen. Gomez's Manifesto.

HAVANA, May 16.—The manifesto which General Maximo Gomez is preparing to issue, will not only review his own position as to the payment of the Cuban army, but probably will direct the forces to disband. Following its publication, Governor General Brooke will issue a modified order, eliminating the necessity for the participation of any Cuban commissioner in the distribution of the $3,000,000. The governor general regards Gomez as having acted sincerely throughout, and believes that his withdrawal from the question of the distribution has been forced upon him by the desertion of those generals upon whom he relied.

New Revolutionary Club.

Members of the late Cuban military assembly and other discontented persons belonging to the new revolutionary club, styled the Veterans Association, met last night at Cerro and indulged in a prolonged debate on the question of the Cuban troops surrendering their arms. One group was in favor of entrusting the arms to the brigade chiefs or Cuban municipalities. Another group was opposed altogether to surrendering the arms, saying it might be necessary to "use them against American pretensions."

IN A BLAZE OF GLORY.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Martin Made Formal Farewell Last Night.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Mr. and Mrs. Bradly-Martin took their formal and final farewell of New York society to-night at the Waldorf-Astoria. They took it in the form of a sumptuous dinner to eighty-six persons. It is said the dinner cost $10,000. It went off in a blaze of glory—viands wines, flowers, music, service, all were perfect, but it was not a promiscuous function like the famous fancy dress ball of several seasons ago.

ANTI-IMPERIALISTS.

Meeting in Boston—Address by Ex-Governor Boutwell.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, May 16.—A conference of members of the Anti-Imperialist League was held at Young's Hotel today. The event of the meeting was an address delivered by ex-Governor Boutwell, President of the Anti-Imperialist League, in which he upheld the opposition of Aguinaldo and undertook to answer Secretary Long.

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MAGISTRATES APPOINTED BY LAST LEGISLATURE.

Important That All Should Qualify Before June First—The Crops—Other Raleigh News.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., May 16.

The State Board of Examiners has taken control of the colored Normal Schools and is preparing a course of study for them. Qualifications for the administration of members are prescribed and definite work is laid out for the course.

Alexander county to-day settled its taxes. The sheriff paid in to the State Treasury $2,687.29.

The Leazer Literary Society of the A. & M. College will, Friday night, hold its seventh annual oratorical contest by undergraduates.

The term of all the Democratic magistrates appointed by the Legislature of 1893 expires August 30th. This makes it very important that those appointed by the last Legislature qualify before the time expires, June 1st, else there will be no Democratic magistrate in many townships.

The First Regiment Band to-night played a return date here to a good house.

Rev. J. L. Foster, pastor of the Christian Church here, retires from the ministry. This step is made necessary by a throat trouble. He has been pastor of the church here for ten years.

Crop Bulletin.

The Weekly Crop Bulletin, issued by the Weather Bureau here, for the week ending Monday, May 15th, says the past week was characterized by an unusual number of severe local storms with hail and washing rains. On the 7th and on the 8th severe local hail storms caused great damage to crops over small areas in no less than twenty counties, with the most discouraging reports from Union, Mecklenburg, Chatham, Scotland, Johnston, Bladen and Duplin counties. Wheat and oats were beaten down, young corn and cotton destroyed, necessitating the replanting of many acres, and a good many strawberries were ruined. Heavy rains occurred also Thursday and Friday, and light rains at some point or other every day of the week. The sunshine was deficient, but fortunately the temperature continued above the normal.

Corn seems to be doing remarkably well, with excellent stands, except in portions of the Eastern district, where, however, the necessary replanting is being done.

Planting cotton progressed as rapidly as the conditions would permit; many farmers are through planting, and are chopping to a stand; some cotton fields are getting quite grassy, but as a whole the crop is doing very well. Farmers seem to be adhering generally to their intentions of planting a less acreage than usual.

Many tobacco plants were set out under favorable conditions this week, being now most active in the north-central portion of the State. The plants are growing nicely everywhere.

BASE BALL BULLETIN.

Scores of the Games Played by the Clubs Yesterday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The games played yesterday were as follows:

Cincinnati-Cleveland—rain.
Boston, 8; Washington, 4.
Baltimore, 15; New York, 5.
Philadelphia, 5; Brooklyn, 6.
Chicago, 10; Pittsburg, 5.
Louisville, 3; St. Louis, 9.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Supreme Council, Royal Arcanum, representing about 160,000 members throughout the country, will hold its annual meeting in Washington, D. C., to-day.

The Third Kentucky Regiment was mustered out of service yesterday at Savannah. The officers and men got off during the afternoon for home. The muster out was not eventful.

The Earl of Stafford, who married Mrs. Samuel K. Colgate, in Grace church, New York city, last December, was instantly killed yesterday evening at Potters Bar, Eng., by the Cambridge express.

The cruiser Raleigh, Captain Coghlan, sailed from Charleston yesterday at noon for Portsmouth, N. H., where she goes out of commission. She will be thoroughly overhauled.

Contractor Connors and Inspector Donovan, appointed by Bishop Quigley, have signed an agreement which it is expected will end the strike of the grain shovellers at Buffalo, N. Y. It will be submitted to the bishop.

General Joseph Wheeler returned to Washington yesterday. He said the report that he came in response to a message from the Secretary of War, and that he would probably be sent to the Philippines, is incorrect.

The first annual meeting of the Street Railway and Electrical Association of Virginia was held in Richmond yesterday. Most of the Virginia cities were represented and a number of interesting papers were read.

General Wheeler was not in the parade at Charleston because the negro boy who was sent to carry his horse to him, through inattention, carried the horse to the wrong number and remained there holding the horse until the procession was over.

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